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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(b)(2)

Dear Commissioner for Patents:

In the above-referenced Reissue Application, please make the following amendments.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(b)(2), please add the following new claims:

- 7. (New) A method for inhibiting reading of an optical disc, said method comprising the following steps:
 - (a) providing an optical disc comprising:
 - machine-readable, information-encoding features;
 - a barrier layer releasably coupled to the disc; and,
 - a reading-inhibit agent, included in the disc and operative after removal of the barrier

 layer to initially allow reading of the disc, and then to automatically alter the disc
 to inhibit reading of the disc;
 - (b) removing the barrier layer so the reading inhibit agent becomes operative; then,
 - (c) reading the disc after removal of the barrier layer but before the disc is altered by the reading inhibit agent to inhibit reading of the disc; and then,
 - (d) said reading-inhibit agent altering the disc to provide a short effective life for the disc.